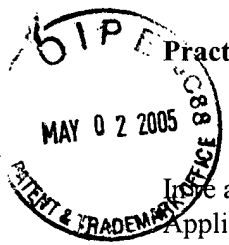


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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.: 09/849,740 Group No.: 3618
Filed: 05/04/2001 Examiner: Frank Bennett Vanaman
For: IMPROVEMENTS IN WHEELED LUGGAGE AND ASSOCIATED DEVICES

Mail Stop Amendment
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for two months:

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM+ | | | | \$ 0.00 | = \$ | | 0.00 |
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No additional fee for claims is required.

FEE PAYMENT

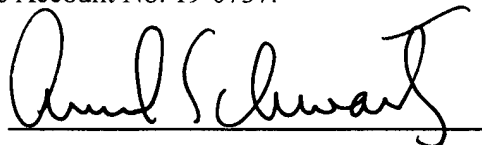
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